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SUBJECT: VISAS VIPER OCTOBER 2009: MISSION ITALY REPORT

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¶1. Mission Italy consists of Embassy Rome and Consulates General in Milan, Naples and Florence. Embassy Rome Coordinator is Visa Chief Donald Frerichs; the Milan Coordinator is Consul William Gill. Naples Visas Viper Coordinator is Vice Consul Daniela DiPierro and the Coordinator for Florence is Consul John Larrea.

¶2. John Larrea chaired Florence's Visas Viper meeting in Florence on October 21. All participants were from the Department of State. No new names were submitted through Viper telegrams and the participants did not have any questions about the Visas Viper program.

¶3. Consul General Carol Perez chaired Milan's Visas Viper meeting on November 10. Representatives from CONS, EXEC, PAO, POL/ECON, RSO, MGMT, and DEA were present. The meeting did not result in any new nominations or questions about the program for the Department.

¶4. Consul General Patrick Truhn chaired a Visas Viper meeting for Consulate General Naples on 28 October. Only State Department representatives were present. No VIPER telegrams were submitted and there were not any outstanding questions about the program.

¶5. At the request of Deputy Chief of Mission Elizabeth Dibble, Visa Chief Donald Frerichs chaired Embassy Rome's Visas Viper meeting on November 4. Representatives included CONS, POL, ECON, RSO, LEGATT, DEA, other agencies, and the Front Office. No new names were submitted and there were not any comments or questions concerning the program's policies or procedures.

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